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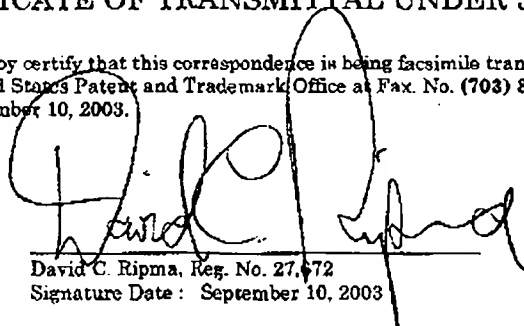
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Group I. Claims 20-31, drawn to a device; and

Group II. Claims 1-19, drawn to a method.

Applicants hereby elect to pursue the Group II claims, claims 1-19.

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